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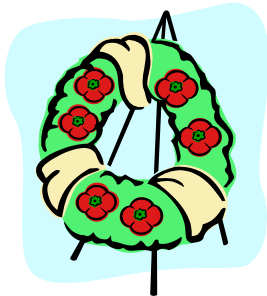
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Enclosures this month include:

- Home and School Connection – Nov
- Jurisdictional Responsibilities (Transportation)



Principal's Message

For us as Catholics and Canadians, November is a significant month of remembrance. All Saints Day, All Souls Day and Remembrance Day invite us to be mindful of all those who we know that have sacrificed for us. May God forever give them rest, and may we continue to live our lives through our own good words and actions. As we continue to grow as a Faith community, let us pray for one another that God may give us strength to be Peace Keepers and Makers and role models for our children.

Last month, an event was held by our Board's Central Committee for Catholic School Councils (CCCSC). The organization's mandate includes promoting the Board's vision and values and the sacramental life and Catholic practices of the Dufferin-Peel CDSB and being faithful to its mission statement.

We would like to take this opportunity to **thank you** for choosing a Catholic education for your child(ren).

Mrs. Levey, Principal

Prayer for Remembrance Day

For those who were killed in battle,
For those who gave up their lives to save others,
For those who fought because they were forced to,
For those who died standing up for a just cause,
For those who said war was wrong,
For those who tried to make the peace,
For those who prayed when others had no time to pray,
For those creatures who needlessly die,
For all of humankind.

Let us quietly pray:

May your God hold them in peace
May Love flow over the Earth and cleanse us all
This day and for always.

~ Marianne Griffin
11a.m., 11 November 2004

This month we celebrate the virtue of
Conscience

Our next virtues assembly is scheduled to take place on

Wednesday, November 30
@ 9:15 a.m.

All families are welcome to attend!

PEOPLE OF CONSCIENCE...

- FEEL RIGHT AND WRONG AND PAY ATTENTION
- LISTEN TO THE VOICE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT INSIDE
- CHOOSE TO DO WHAT JESUS WOULD DO
- KNOW THAT FOLLOWERS OF JESUS WILL HAVE TO MAKE DIFFICULT CHOICES
- KEEP PROMISES EVEN WHEN TEMPTED TO GIVE UP
- CAN SEE HOW HIS/HER ACTIONS MAY HELP OR HURT OTHERS
- ADMIT THEIR SINS AND FEEL BADLY ABOUT POOR CHOICES
- SAY SORRY AND TRY TO MAKE UP FOR HURTFUL ACTIONS

CONSCIENCE



FROM the office

Safety and Security: Visitors in the School

As you can imagine, it is very difficult to keep track of the many visitors we have each day at All Saints School. Staff and supply teachers cannot possibly know all of our parents on sight. In an effort to ensure the safety of our students, we are asking for your understanding and cooperation in following these requests.

- Please, at all times, report to the office when entering the school.
- Leave forgotten lunches on the lunch table in the school entrance.
- Please inform your child if you will be dropping off a lunch so that classrooms do not need to be disturbed.
- Leave messages for students at the office.
- Adults should not be in the school halls before, during or after class time
- At dismissal, please wait for your child outside their respective exits
- If you wish to speak to your child's teacher, please call the office and schedule an appointment.

Winter Weather

During the winter season, the school receives calls from concerned parents as to how we determine when children will or will not be allowed outside for recess. Dufferin-Peel CDSB Policy uses a Wind Chill factor of -25 C as the determining temperature. Students will not be sent outside for recess if it is colder than this.

Students should also come dressed appropriately for weather (hats, mitts, etc.) For health and safety reasons we must insist on indoor shoes. Students cannot walk through the school with wet boots or shoes. For their safety and comfort they need to have indoor shoes. Please note that in the event of an emergency evacuation, students will not have the opportunity to put boots on. Where possible, please put identification on your child's belongings. Throughout the winter the lost and found box fills up with unidentified clothing.

In the colder weather we receive numerous requests to allow children to remain indoors when students have a cold, flu, etc. Please note that we cannot comply, as we neither have the facilities nor the staff to supervise these students. If your child is not feeling well we encourage you to keep them home to avoid the spread of illness. The expectation at All Saints is that all children will go outdoors for recess and the lunch break.

PA DAY – Friday, November 18

There is no school for students on November 18th, as teachers are involved in Professional Learning Activities throughout the day.

GENERAL information

Kiss N' Ride

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents and caregivers at All Saints School who are using the Kiss N' Ride program during drop-off and pick-up times. Kiss N' Ride works very well when drivers pull up as far as they can and have their children ready to exit the vehicle as soon as they stop. **We ask that children exit the car on the passenger side only. Please note that parking is not allowed in the Fire Zone.** If you must get out of your vehicle, please pull in to a parking spot. Parked cars in the Kiss N' Ride lanes are the cause of many problems as others try to get in and out around them. During the afternoon dismissal time, cars must keep the bus lane open at all times so our buses may depart. Parents please do not park your cars or leave them unattended in the drive-through lanes. If you must leave your car, please park in a parking spot.

Teachers are on duty in the Kiss N' Ride area from 8:30am – 8:45am, as well as 3:15pm-3:30pm. Please look to them for direction during busy times. If you would like to volunteer in the Kiss N' Ride program, please notify the office.

Pediculosis (Head Lice)

Head lice are always present in the community. By checking your child's head once a week for head lice, you will catch it early and treat it before it has a chance to spread. Should you suspect that your child(ren) have head lice, please notify the school. Please remember, an infestation of lice is not a reflection on the cleanliness of your child. A reminder to refrain from sharing hats at any time, but especially during the winter months. Any infected student will need to be checked before re-entry to class

ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL CANDY FOR KIDS CAMPAIGN

Our Candy for Kids Campaign will be running again this year. This candy will be shipped to areas with undernourished children. The sugar in the candy works as a catalyst to assist children in improving the eating process. Candy is being collected from Nov 1 – 4. A bin for candy is located inside the front doors of the school.



A Historical Understanding of Key Issues Related To Catholic Education

Q: How long have Catholic separate schools been educating Catholic children and contributing to the public good in Ontario?

A: For about 170 years. In the early 1800s there were separate schools in many cities, towns and townships. In Peel, three separate schools opened before Confederation(1867): St. James in Malton in the 1830s, St. John's Agricultural College (1861) and St. Patrick's (1861), both in Wildfield.

Q: Has the Ontario government always supported separate schools?

A: Yes, as did its' predecessor, the United Legislature of Canada East (now Quebec) and Canada West (now Ontario) during its' total life from 1841 to 1867. One of the first pieces of legislation it passed in 1841 was the *Common School Act*, with a separate school clause.



Q: Why did the United Legislature of Canada East and Canada West keep improving separate school legislation?

A: It responded to Catholic parents, trustees, bishops and priests, editors of the four Catholic newspapers, members of the business and professional world, all of whom argued for legal and financial rights for separate schools.

Q: Was there opposition to separate schools before Confederation?

A: Yes, as now, there were advocates of one school system. Protestant spokespersons believed in the adequacy of the common (now public) school's basic non-denominational Christianity, which constituted an important element of the common school's religion lesson and their readers. They held that beliefs specific to certain religions should be taught in the churches and homes.

Jurisdictional Responsibilities

Please find a 2-page document attached to this newsletter, illustrating jurisdictional responsibility related to student transportation and students walking to school in Mississauga.

Information Night – Holy Name of Mary

On November 24th, beginning at 7:00 p.m., Holy Name of Mary C.S.S. will be holding a Grade 9 Information & Registration Night for current Grade 8 students, and their parents, in the school's gymnasium. As a regional all girls school, we would like to invite all eligible Region of Peel girls to apply to Holy Name of Mary C.S.S. Please visit our website for further updates: www.dpccsb.org/hnmry/guidance.

Registration packages will be available on our website by November 7th, 2011. Location: Holy Name of Mary C.S.S., 115 Glenvale Blvd., Brampton, Ontario. For further information please call 905-458-5541 X 64104.

Extended French Information

St Christopher School will be hosting an information session for parents and students in grade 4 who are interested in registering for the Extended French Program. Information packages and application forms will be distributed at the session scheduled for January 18th, 2012 at 7pm in the St. Christopher School gym. If you have any questions about the program, please feel free to call St. Christopher School at 905 822-0721.

Entry and Exit

We are attempting to control the flow of traffic through the front doors of the school. To that end, we appreciate support from parents in reinforcing our message to students: students are to use their recess doors for entry to school in the morning and for exit from school in the afternoon. Students are welcome to use the front doors of the school when accompanied by an adult (i.e. when leaving or returning from scheduled appointments, etc.). Thank you very much!

"Eco Club"



Our Eco team focus for October has been our "Lights Out" campaign.

In an attempt to reduce greenhouse gases and use less electricity, teachers have been provided with a small yellow light bulb poster in

their classrooms to serve as a reminder to the class to turn out the lights. Our team of "Eco detectives" has been going around to classrooms at recess times to make sure that, when the room is empty, the lights have been turned off!

Our Eco team focus for November is our "Boomerang Lunch" initiative, which takes place each Tuesday and Thursday!

STAKEHOLDER RESPONSIBILITIES BREAKDOWN

TRAFFIC SAFETY COUNCIL

CATEGORY

ISSUE

RESPONSIBILITY

Sidewalks (along city streets)

-maintenance and construction
(summer and winter)

City of Mississauga
Transportation and Works
Dept.
Call: 311

Signs in School Zones
(not on school property)

-maintenance and installation

City of Mississauga
Transportation and Works
Dept.
Call: 311

Crossing Guards

-placement / removal

Traffic Safety Council
City Clerks Office
Laura Wilson:
905-615-3200 x 5425

-conduct

Transportation and Works
Dept.
Sheelagh Duffin:
905-615-3200 x 5167

Park Pathways

-maintenance and construction
(summer and winter)

City of Mississauga
Community Services Dept.

-pathway lighting

Call: 311

School Bus Eligibility
(criteria)

-distance criteria policy

Board of Trustees
Peel District School Board
905-890-1010

Dufferin Peel Catholic District
School Board 905-890-1221

School Bus Routes

-school bus routes and stops
-implementing distance policy

Student Transportation of
Peel Region (STOPR)
905-890-1221

Safety

-personal safety

Peel Regional Police
905-453-3311
Emergency: 911

-walking routes to schools
(physical conditions)

Traffic Safety Council
City Clerks Office
Laura Wilson:
905-615-3200 x 5425

-school zones operation review

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-school zones – illegal parking

City of Mississauga
Call: 311

-school property
-students getting to and from
school

school principal
parents

STAKEHOLDER

Parents

City of Mississauga
Transportation and Works Dept.

City of Mississauga
Community Services Dept.

City of Mississauga
Council

City of Mississauga
Traffic Safety Council

School Board Trustees

School Principal

School Board Administration

Student Transportation or Peel Region
(STOPR)

Peel Regional Police

RESPONSIBILITIES

- get their children safely to and from school and/ or a bus stop
- where a safety concern is identified notify the appropriate agency

- sidewalk and roadway maintenance (summer and winter)
- traffic signals (pedestrian signals) maintenance
- crossing guard administration
- traffic signs and school zone signage
- parking enforcement

- park pathway maintenance (summer and winter)
- park lighting maintenance

- appointment of Traffic Safety Council
- consider / action recommendations from Traffic Safety Council

- review and make recommendations with respect to:
 - crossing guard placement and removal
 - school walking route safety (physical conditions)
 - school zone operation
 - school drop-off and pick-up operation
- where a safety concern is identified notify the appropriate agency

- set policy for student eligibility distances for bussing
- where a safety concern is identified notify the appropriate agency

- safety of students on the school property
- where a safety concern is identified notify the appropriate agency

- school property maintenance (summer and winter)
- school building maintenance
- school hours
- where a safety concern is identified notify the appropriate agency

- provision of student transportation (school bussing) in accordance School Board policy
- determine the eligibility for student transportation based on the policies established by the school boards
- establish school bus routes and stops
- identify safety issues or concerns in respect to bussing
- where a safety concern is identified notify the appropriate agency

- Highway Traffic Act enforcement (u-turns, speeding, etc.)
- personal safety issues



November 2011

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
		1	2	3	4	5	
		Candy for Kids Campaign, Dr. Simone					
		All Saints Day 'Neighborhood Watch' Community Meeting 7 PM Boomerang lunch	Flag Football Championship game 12 ⁰⁵ "Jacquot" Presentation Grades 4-6, (1 - 2 PM)	Boomerang lunch	Fantastic Friday! Gr 8's to Dr Simone's Warehouse 9 AM -1 PM		
6 Daylight Savings ends 	7	8 Catholic School Council 7 pm Boomerang lunch	9 Mr. Sub Lunch	10 Boomerang lunch	11 Remembrance Day Fantastic Friday!	12	
13	14	15 Grade 3's to Black Creek Pioneer Village Boomerang lunch	16	17 Boomerang lunch	18 PA Day No school for students	19	
20	21 Ice Hockey Tryouts 1 - 3 pm (Int & Junior)	22 Boomerang lunch	23 Extreme Pita Day	24 Boomerang lunch	25 Fantastic Friday!	26	
27	28 Ice Hockey Tryouts 1 - 3 pm (Int & Junior)	29 Boomerang lunch	30 Virtues Assembly 9:15 am Conscience	<p>Q: What's a "boomerang lunch?" A: A boomerang lunch is a lunch that has every piece of it return to its source. In other words, everything in the lunch goes back home at the end of the day. No matter if it is leftover food, containers, recyclables or garbage, it all goes back. Yes, even the garbage!</p>			